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## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### **Mandy Bolter Appointed for District Five Commissioner by Kent County Board**

GRAND RAPIDS, MI – The Kent County Board of Commissioners unanimously voted this morning to appoint Mandy Bolter of Cascade to the vacant District Five seat. Ms. Bolter comes to the Kent County Board with 16 years of experience working in public service, on local and state levels. She vied for the appointment with Steven Cole of Lowell.

Commissioner Bolter worked as the West Michigan Liaison to the Michigan Senate Majority Leader from 2006 through 2009, and most recently has been the Legislative Director for Representative Peter MacGregor. She received her bachelor's degree in Political Science from Western Michigan University, and completed the Michigan Political Leadership Program through Michigan State University.

"I am honored to be part of such a great group of people, working to keep our county the best place to live, work, start a business and raise a family," said Commissioner Bolter. "I couldn't be more excited and anxious to get to work for the people of the 5th District."

"Ms. Bolter has a great insight into the workings of our state legislature," said Kent County Board Chairman Dan Koorndyk. "She will be an outstanding advocate for the county and her district. We look forward to having her level of experience and knowledge help move Kent County forward."

Commissioner Bolter replaces former Kent County Commissioner Sandi Frost Steensma, who stepped down to focus on the growth of her personal business and her recent appointment to serve on the Board of Trustees for Lake Superior State University.

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